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THE BAHÁ'Í FAITH AND THE ISSUES OF OUR TIME

Please join us for a series of talks addressing some of humanity's shared challenges and opportunities as we work to advance an emerging global civilization. This series brings together current research, experience, contemporary discourses and Baha'i perspectives.

"Be anxiously concerned with the needs of the age ye live in and its exigencies and requirements."

~ Baha'i Writings



Friday, March 8, 2024, 7:30 EST

Rising to the Challenge of Reconciliation

With Doug White

In recent years, Canada has arrived at an ever deepening and dynamic moment in its relationship with Indigenous Peoples. The Canadian public and imagination has been engaged in multiple national processes such as the Royal Commission, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), and the Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls Inquiry. One of the key TRC recommendations was that Canada should adopt the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as the framework for reconciliation—which Canada has done. Now the imperative and work of implementation is in front of us as a nation and all of these distinct yet interrelated pathways will require the focused attention, effort, action, determination, and even love, of all of us to bring about the world we dream about for future generations.

Doug will help us reflect on how, to truly reconcile, we will need to forge new spaces and patterns of community at the grassroots, striving to reflect the dynamics of peaceful co-existence and just relations.

About Doug White: Doug is a member and former Chief and Councillor of the Snuneymuxw First Nation in Nanaimo, B.C. He is also a practicing lawyer and has been a negotiator for First Nations across the country. After completing his B.A. in First Nations Studies at Malaspina University-College, Doug graduated from the Faculty of Law at the University of Victoria in 2006 and was called to the Bar of British Columbia in January 2008. He was the Director of the Centre for Pre-Confederation Treaties and Reconciliation at Vancouver Island University and Chair of the BC First Nations Justice Council. He currently serves as Special Counsel to the Premier on Indigenous Reconciliation.

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